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COLD TEMPERATURE CONDITIONS AND METHODS OF USE
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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 27, 2002, please consider the following amendments and remarks to this application. A Request for a two month extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 are being submitted herewith.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 4, 18 and 26 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1 and 19 as follows:

1. (ONCE AMENDED) An antimicrobial composition comprising:
in the range of 0.01 to 5 wt. % of a C6-C12 fatty acid; and
a carrier medium including a freezing point depressant component,
wherein the freezing point depressant component:
a) comprises at least 2 polyols; and